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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PAN AMERICAN' S AMSTERDAM- BERLIN
SERVICE

REF: BONN 6683

1. THE DEPARTMENT IS GRATIFIED THAT OUR ALLIES HAVE
APPROVED PANAM SERVICE BETWEEN AMSTERDAM AND BERLIN.
AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT ASSOCIATING
OURSELVES WITH FRG DRAFT STATEMENT (PARA 2, REFTEL),
WHICH, IN OUR VIEW, IS UNNECESSARILY NEGATIVE IN VIEW OF
OUR COMMON INTEREST IN PROMOTING IMPROVED AIR SERVICE
TO WEST BERLIN. WHILE WE RECOGNIZE THAT NEW DIRECT
SERVICES FROM BERLIN TO CITIES OUTSIDE FRG MAY HAVE
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SOME ADVERSE EFFECT ON LUFTHANSA, WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS LEGITIMATE PRICE FOR SIGNIFICANT NEW ADVANTAGES FOR BERLIN. THIS IS FULLY IN ACCORD WITH THE BONN GROUP STUDY, WHICH CONCENTRATED ON A CONTROLLED IMPROVEMENT IN BERLIN'S AIR SERVICE. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE BONN GROUP STUDY WAS INTENDED TO LIMIT EXPANSION OF ALLIED INTERNATIONAL AIR SERVICE TO BERLIN. IF ANY MISUNDERSTANDING EXISTS ABOUT US VIEWS IN THIS AREA THESE SHOULD BE DISPELLED AT THE NEXT BCATAG SESSION.

2. THE DEPARTMENT ALSO DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT ANY SPECIAL NOTIFICATION TO THE SOVIETS ABOUT THE BERLIN- AMSTERDAM SERVICE IS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE. WE HAVE ALWAYS HELD THAT NO DIFFERENCE EXISTS BETWEEN INNER- GERMAN AND INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS TO BERLIN. INFORMATION CONCERNING EACH CORRIDOR FLIGHT SHOULD BE PASSED TO THE SOVIET ELEMENT IN BASC IN A ROUTINE FASHION ONLY. RUSH

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